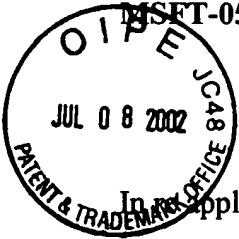


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AMENDMENT and RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated March 1, 2002 issued in connection with the above-captioned pending patent application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the following paragraph: